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Architecture of Sustainability: a green design competition and conference seek to merge technical ingenuity and compelling design. — Assess state and local progress in rebuilding the post-Katrina Gulf Coast. — Leave it to the Dutch to come up with some interesting new looks for the Big Easy. — A new eco-city in China to be powered by nothing but renewable sources. — KPF takes the design lead in bid for new resort in Shanghai. — Berlin's Pergamon Museum finally getting attention it deserves. — Virginia's latest culture venture: Patsy Cline Museum. — Torontonians continue their "myopic fixation on height." — A heartfelt letter wins the bid for Modernist home in Princeton. — A look at innovative materials for the construction industry. — An Alaskan architect looks back on his — and his state's — long history of architectural successes and lost opportunities. — Must reads: Fifth Annual Planetizen Top 10 Books List. — One we couldn't resist: Gehry goes to the dogs - for a mere \$350,000.

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Green Design as Great Design: The Architecture of Sustainability: A design competition and conference seek to merge technical ingenuity and compelling design. -- Bruder; Gang; Mazria; Timberlake; etc. [images]- ArchNewsNow

Rebuilding After Katrina: Forming the Federal-State-Local Partnership for Southern Louisiana [transcript]- Brookings Institute

Building New Orleans 2.0: Hurricane Katrina left a devastated New Orleans in its wake. But a new architectural exhibit has come up with some ideas for the Big Easy's new look. Who's behind the project? The Dutch of course. -- MVRDV; UN Studio; Morphosis; West 8; Huff + Gooden Architects [slide show]- Der Spiegel (Germany)

Plan for 'eco-city' began in Norwich: At three quarters the size of Manhattan and located on the third largest island in China, Dongtan will have all its transport, residential and commercial buildings powered by a combination of wind, sun and other renewable energy sources. — Arup; Alsop; Davis Langdon; DSSR- Eastern Daily Press (EDP Norfolk, UK)

CapitaLand and MGM appoint KPF as principal architect for Marina Bay [Singapore] integrated resort bid — Kohn Pedersen Fox Associates- ChannelNewsAsia

A plan has been finalized for the world famous Pergamon Museum in Berlin to finally be renovated. -- Oswald Mathias Unger- Deutsche Welle (Germany)

Famed Design Firm to Create Patsy Cline Museum Displays -- Ralph Appelbaum Associates; Carter + Burton Architecture- Winchester Star (Virginia)

A myopic fixation on height: The sun will shine on Toronto the day someone designs a tower that doesn't cast a shadow. Until then, the good citizens of this city can be counted on to rise to the occasion whenever some hapless developer comes along with skyscrapers in mind. By Christopher Hume-Toronto Star

Preserving a Modernist Masterpiece: Two architecture professors found their dream modernist house in Princeton, N.J. They bid around \$800,000, but they got it by writing a letter. By Fred A. Bernstein — Thaddeus Longstreth (1960); Ron Witte and Sarah Whiting/WW Architecture [images]- New York Times

The Revolution in Building Materials: Q&A with architect Blaine Brownell, the author of "Transmaterial," about innovative new products in the construction industry-

<u>Longtime local architect reflects on successes and lost opportunities: Q&A with Edwin Crittenden- Anchorage Daily News (Alaska)</u>

The Fifth Annual Planetizen Top 10 Books List, 2006 Edition- PLANetizen

It's Gehry putting on the dogs: NEW homes: 1 bdr., no bath, leash-option; must sniff to appreciate! \$350,000..."I can't start until I meet the dogs."- Los Angeles Times

Feb. '06 Build Business: The Other Side of the Table: An Inside View of the
Selection Process. By Stephanie Craft, CPSM

-- Renzo Piano Building Workshop: Woodruff Arts Center, High Museum of Art, Atlanta -- Video: Santiago Calatrava: City of Arts and Sciences, Valencia, Spain

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